

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1107**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Fletcher**

February 18, 2011

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An act to amend Section 21208 of the Vehicle Code, relating to bicycles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1107, as introduced, Fletcher. Vehicles: bicycles: rules of the road: bicycle lanes.

Existing law requires any person operating a bicycle upon a roadway at a speed less than the normal speed of traffic moving in the same direction to ride within the bicycle lane, except as provided.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes in that provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 21208 of the Vehicle Code is amended
- 2 to read:
- 3 21208. (a) Whenever a bicycle lane has been established on
- 4 a roadway pursuant to Section 21207, ~~any~~ a person operating a
- 5 bicycle upon the roadway at a speed less than the normal speed of
- 6 traffic moving in the same direction at that time shall ride within
- 7 the bicycle lane, except that the person may move out of the lane
- 8 under any of the following situations:

- 1 (1) When overtaking and passing another bicycle, vehicle, or  
2 pedestrian within the lane or about to enter the lane, if the  
3 overtaking and passing cannot be done safely within the lane.  
4 (2) When preparing for a left turn at an intersection or into a  
5 private road or driveway.  
6 (3) When reasonably necessary to leave the bicycle lane to avoid  
7 debris or other hazardous conditions.  
8 (4) When approaching a place where a right turn is authorized.  
9 (b) ~~No~~A person operating a bicycle shall *not* leave a bicycle  
10 lane until the movement can be made with reasonable safety and  
11 then only after giving an appropriate signal in the manner ~~provided~~  
12 *specified* in Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 22100) ~~in the~~  
13 ~~event that any~~ *if* a vehicle may be affected by the movement.